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1. Since the beginning of 1953, residents of the city of Petrich are having loudspeakers installed in their houses. The loudspeakers are installed in polished wooden cases about 20 by 15 by 15 centimeters in size. The volume control is on the left side of the instrument and has three phases--loud, medium, and soft. The starting and stopping is done by means of connecting and disconnecting the electric power.

2. During May 1953, loudspeakers were installed in the "Kazarmite" (Barracks) quarter of Petrich. The quarter is composed of about 15 houses. Since ordinary city residents find it almost impossible to purchase standard radios because of the extremely high prices, a large number of them are installing loudspeakers, which cost about 200 leva including installation.

The Kazarmite quarter has only one standard radio and six houses have loudspeakers. 25X1

3. The programs are heard clearly and there is interference only rarely. The loudspeakers themselves, however, are poorly constructed and some of them were out of order soon after being installed. The loudspeaker which was installed in May 1953 was out of order in October 1953. 25X1

4. Radio programs are broadcast in the morning from 5:00 or 5:30 to 10:00, at noon from 12:00 to 3:00, and in the evening from 5:00 to 10:00.

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6. The radio office in Petrich is located in a building in the "Tsentura" quarter, near to and north of the town reading room. 25X1

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